

# Mayor James' Report Card

- Solved \$40 million deficit in 1986 and created \$200 million surplus in 2005.
- Newark wins share of 2002 \$17 Billion Neighborhood Tax Credit Program
- Newark secures a 2002 \$35 Million Hope VI Neighborhood Grant
- Newark receives \$10 Million for September 11th Response
- Newark receives \$9.9 Million for Watershed Conservation easement
- Reduced crime by 52 percent, reduced auto theft by 60 percent
- Recruited, trained & graduated a record number of police officers (1,600)
- Housing ownership rose from 19 percent to 29 percent
- 20 consecutive balanced municipal budgets (with state praise)
- Created more than 30,000 new jobs
- Newark Housing Authority rose from "Worst To First" and demolished all failed family high-rises, replacing them with state-of-the-art town houses
- Created a City-wide Mobile Health & Immunization program
- In excess of \$10 billion in economic development projects
- Created a Mobile Immunization Unit for Children & nutrition program
- Built more than 5,000 new units of private and public housing (Samples):
 

Society Hill at University Heights	Renaissance Towers	Pearl Gardens
JP Affordable Housing	St. Francis Street Housing	Suno Estates
Southwyck Estates	La Casa de Don Pedro	St. Lucy Housing
United Vailsburg Services	American Dream Homes	NCC Estates
Tiffany Park & Manor Housing	Corinthian Housing	Tiffany Factory condos
- Millennium neighborhood housing restoration initiative begun
- Brought state-of-the-art movie theaters back to Newark
- Brought state-of-the-art roller skating rink back to Newark
- Brought state-of-the-art family food markets back to Newark
- Brought minor league baseball and stadium back to Newark
- Brought state-of-the-art award-winning housing complex "Society Hill at University Heights" to Newark
- Brought Blue Cross/Blue Shield Insurance Company and its corporate headquarters back to Newark
- Brought New Jersey Performing Arts Center to Newark (NJPAC)
- Brought high-tech companies like IDT and credit-card company MBNA to Newark
- Brought Public Health Research Institute to Science Park
- Kept Seton Hall Law School in Newark
- New Newark Legal Center, Seton Hall Law School and Newark Center, & Rutgers University Law School built in Newark
- New Rafael Hernandez Elementary School, Robert Treat Academy, Central and Science High Schools, and Belmont-Runyon School
- New Casa Israel Senior Citizens Center & South Ward Senior Citizens Housing
- New Newark Science Park Complex
- New train station facilities "From the Train to the Plane" and downtown-to-airport rail link
- Began the \$75 million Joseph G. Minish Passaic Riverfront Park development
- Starbucks, Arthur's, Savoy, Maize Restaurant, Home Depot Mall, and International House of Pancakes (IHOP) opened in Newark
- Claremont Towers/FBI Complex completed, first new development on Passaic River Waterfront
- South Ward Industrial Park Built
- New Malcolm X Shabazz Athletic Field
- Refurbished JFK multipurpose recreation center
- Opened James/Gibson Aquatic Center in Ironbound and refurbished Rotunda Pool
- Hope VI development transforming Springfield Avenue

## Coming Soon:

- Building 18,000-seat Arena for the NJ Devils
- Eight New Hotels and Conference Center
- Newark Foundation Habne's Building
- Newark/Elizabeth Light Rail Link
- Re-development of Mulberry Street and Broad Street streetscaping
- Widening and reconstruction of Route 21 (McCarter Highway)



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